

March 28, 2008

TO: Members of the MAG Human Services Technical Committee

FROM: Carl Harris-Morgan, Gilbert, Chair

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Meeting - 1:00 p.m.  
Thursday, April 10, 2008  
MAG Office, Second Floor, Cholla Room  
302 North 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, Phoenix

The next MAG Human Services Technical Committee (HSTC) meeting will be held at the MAG offices at the time and place noted above. Members of the Human Services Technical Committee may attend either in person, by videoconference or by telephone conference call. Supporting information is enclosed for your review.

Please park in the garage underneath the building. Bring your ticket to the meeting, parking will be validated. For those using transit, the Regional Public Transportation Authority will provide transit tickets for your trip. For those using bicycles, please lock your bicycle in the bike rack in the garage.

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If you have any questions, please call the MAG office.

**MAG HUMAN SERVICES TECHNICAL COMMITTEE**  
**TENTATIVE AGENDA**  
**April 10, 2008**

		<b><u>COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED</u></b>
1.	<u>Call to Order</u>	
2.	<u>Call to the Audience</u>  An opportunity will be provided to members of the public to address HSTC on items not scheduled on the agenda that fall under the jurisdiction of MAG, or on items on the agenda for discussion but not for action. Citizens will be requested not to exceed a three minute time period for their comments. A total of 15 minutes will be provided for the Call to the Audience agenda item, unless HSTC requests an exception to this limit. Please note that those wishing to comment on agenda items posted for action will be provided the opportunity at the time the item is heard.	2. Information.
3.	<u>Approval of HSTC March 13, 2008 Meeting Minutes</u>	3. Approve the HSTC March 13, 2008 Meeting Minutes.
4.	<u>Legislative Update</u>  Nathan Pryor, MAG Senior Policy Planner, will offer an update on human services related legislative activity at the state and federal levels. This will include a report on proposed cuts to the Social Services Block Grant.	4. Information and discussion.
5.	<u>Revision to Social Services Block Grant Allocation Recommendations</u>  The Arizona Department of Economic Security notified MAG on March 14, 2008 that a 19.722 percent cut proposed at the federal level to SSBG necessitates a revised allocation recommendation for locally planned dollars. The Committee will consider the reduction plan that MAG has submitted in the past and recommend a FY09 reduction plan for approval. Please refer to the enclosed material.	5. Recommend approval of revised Social Services Block Grant Recommendations reflecting the proposed 19.722 percent cut.

6. Heat-Relief Planning Efforts

Representatives from the City of Phoenix, the City of Tempe and MAG will offer a presentation on heat-relief planning efforts to assist homeless people and other vulnerable populations during the summer months.

6. Information and discussion.

7. 2008 MAG Conference on Housing and Transportation Human Services Coordination Report

Amy St. Peter, MAG, will present a report on the conference held April 8, 2008 that featured local and national best practices on housing and transportation coordination.

7. Information and discussion.

8. Comments from the Committee

An opportunity will be provided for HSTC members to present a brief summary of current events. HSTC is not allowed to propose, discuss, deliberate or take action at the meeting on any matter in the summary, unless the specific matter is properly noticed for legal action.

8. For information.